The issue of order placement is being pursued regularly. Constant endeavours are made to maximize exploitation of installed plant capacities by increasing efficiency. Efforts are also made to supply products to Non-Defence sector by diversifying product range available.

Officers commissioned in Defence Services

300. SHRI T.T.V. DHINAKARAN: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the average number of officers commissioned in Defence Services each year;

(b) the number of other ranks who have been granted commission during the last three years, year-wise in each arm of service;

(c) the number of officers commissioned through University/College entry (campus interview) scheme during the last three years, year-wise; and

(d) whether the Government propose to increase the percentage of commissioning for other ranks?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE):

(a)

Army	1639
Air Force	403
Navy	350

(b)

Year	Army	Air Force	Navy
2002	132	44	13
2003	84	37	35
2004	116	55	22

(c)

Year	Army	Air Force	Navy
2002	45	44	-
2003	58	43	-
2004	60	110	-

(d) No, Sir.

*Scheme discontinued in 1991 and revived in 2005 only.